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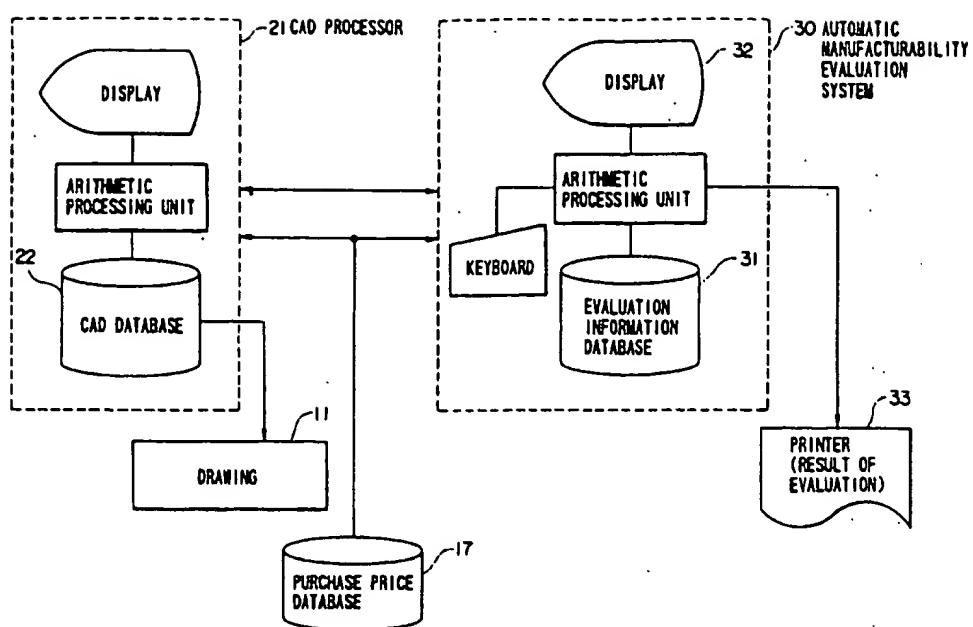
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⑯ Verfahren und Vorrichtung zur Beurteilung von automatischen Herstellungsmöglichkeiten.

⑯ Automatic manufacturability evaluation method and system (30) for automatically evaluating quantitatively on the basis of design information (22) created by using a CAD unit (21) whether a structure of a product as designed is easy to manufacture or assemble, for the purpose of increasing productivity of the product. With the aid of a processing unit such as CAD (21) and an information processing system

(30) for evaluating manufacturability such as assemblability and processability, an assembling order, assembling method, processing method and others are estimated. On the basis of the results of the estimations, optimal assembling order and method, optimal processing method and others are determined, the results of which is outputted, as occasion requires.

FIG.2





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